HOUSE BILL 2873

By Maggart

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, relative to prenatal care in the TennCare program.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

71-5-151. Subject to any necessary approvals from the federal department of health and human services, a pregnant enrollee in the TennCare program receiving prenatal care shall be paid fifty dollars (\$50.00) by the bureau of TennCare for each office visit she attends; provided, that such payments be limited to: one (1) office visit each four (4) weeks for the first twenty-eight (28) weeks of pregnancy, one (1) office visit each two (2) weeks for weeks twenty-nine (29) through thirty-six (36) of pregnancy, and one (1) visit for each week thereafter. Free transportation shall be provided for each visit subject to the same limitation on the number of visits per time period.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.